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# Correspondence from W. Rice to General Hodsdon

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La Grange Aug. 14 1862

John L. Hodgeson Apt. Gen. }  
Augusta Me. } Dear Sir.

I find  
Pleg Fogg Co. H. 15<sup>th</sup> Me. at Garland. with Discharge  
for Disability. Dated at Augusta April 15<sup>th</sup> 1862.  
Signed by Maj. P. H. J. Gardiner - Received

Lake Grove Co. H. 7<sup>th</sup> Me. at Garland with Discharge  
for disability. Dated at "Camp near Richmond"  
June 18<sup>th</sup> 1862. Signed E. C. Mason Col. 7<sup>th</sup> Me. Vol.

Abijah N. Clay Co. H. 11<sup>th</sup> Me. at East Corinth. without  
any leave of absence whatever. He says that he "was  
sick in Hospital at Newport R. I. under the charge  
of Dr. Whitten who allowed him to go home a while  
for the benefit of his health." I should judge by his  
appearance that he is as well able to do duty now  
as he ever will be though he complains much. I  
found at work out haying. He promised to report  
himself to Maj. Gardiner as soon as Monday or Tuesday.  
Though of course I directed him to start immediately.  
as I do all such. He will doubtless report as soon  
as he said if he can obtain a pass of En. Button.



Thomas Gulliver Co. H. 11<sup>th</sup> Me at East Cerinthe  
with Discharge for Disability dated at Washington  
Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> 1862. Signed F. C. Caldwell Col. Comd.  
Recovered

Samuel Gerry of East Cerinthe who was  
enlisted by Lieut Fuller of the 11<sup>th</sup> Me some time  
in April last says that "he reported to you, but  
he "having a fit in your presence (or in presence of some  
of the authorities there) to which he is subject, he was  
rejected - <sup>without examination by surgery</sup> People here doubt his reporting to you at all  
and believe him an able bodied man - But he says  
that he will report to you if you require it - My own  
opinion is that he is not worth looking after -

Charles H. Rich Co. E. 11<sup>th</sup> Me. at Charleston. Discharge  
for Disability dated July 15<sup>th</sup> 1862 - at Mt Pleasant  
Hospital Washington - Signed "By Commands of  
Gen. Wadsworth - B E Freyer - Asst Surgeon U. S. A.  
(Sick now)

John W. Dyer Co. F. 2<sup>d</sup> Me at Beaufort - Discharge  
for Disability dated at Fort McKenry Aug 5<sup>th</sup> 1862  
Signed By Command of Maj Gen. Wool and some  
surgeon whose name I send not read - He is well  
now apparently though I should think he is worthless



S. M. Staples Co. L. 1<sup>st</sup> The Cavalry is at  
Bradford - He is marked "Deserted" in your annual  
report. He says that he was sick in Hospital having had  
the measles there, that a furlough was made for  
him but Col. Goddard being in a passion at the time  
refused to sign it. He came home however with the  
knowledge of his Co. officers expecting that they  
would send for him if he was wanted. I did  
not direct him to report to Major Gardiner immediately  
not knowing whether a saddler is needed in the service  
or not and I should not consider his health and constitution  
fit for any other service once there is no danger of his  
going off - He is in business here (in Bradford) has a family  
and is a "reliable man" - He expresses much regret at leaving  
as he did and if you want him and will write him at  
Bradford, he will report himself as you direct immediately I  
have no doubt -

Joseph Chadbourne noted on my list "Deserted Nov 13<sup>th</sup> 1861"  
is at his father (Ben Chadbourne) in Bradford - His father  
claims that his son is a miner and that he never  
gave his consent to his enlistment - The father  
went to Augusta and saw Gov. Washburn and took  
his son home with him without any body's consent  
as he says - I made no report to you yesterday,  
not having anything necessary to be immediately reported  
after the time to make it -

Respectfully,

Warren W. Hin

W. W. Rice

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Aug. 14. 1862